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## NOTICE OF APPEAL

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Dear Sir:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision of the final Office Action, dated August 27, 2003, rejecting claims 12, 13, 15-24, 28-35, 37, 39-51, and 54-66. A check in the amount of \$330.00 is enclosed to cover the appeal fee required by 35 U.S.C. §41(a)(6) and 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e).

As a request for a three month extension of time was filed with the February 19, 2004 Response to Final Office Action, it is believed that no additional extension fees are required. However, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any additionally required fees for an extension, or any other fee occasioned by this paper, or credit any overpayment in such fees, to Deposit Account No. 50-0320.

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